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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q46916

Shinichi NISHIDA, et al.

Appln. No.: 08/960,224

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Examiner: Qi, Zhi Qiang

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For: ACTIVE MATRIX LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY PANEL

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 26, 2003, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending in this application. The Examiner maintains the rejections of all of the pending claims under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) essentially for the same reasons as set forth in the previous Office Action, dated May 20, 2002:

- claims 1 and 2 as being unpatentable over Oh-e et al. (Oh-e) in view of Shimizu et al. (Shimizu) and Ogawa et al. (Ogawa);
- claim 3 as being unpatentable over Utsumi et al. (Utsumi);
- claims 4-6 as being unpatentable over Utsumi in view of Shimizu;
- claim 7 as being unpatentable over Utsumi in view of Yamahara et al. (Yamahara); and
- claims 8-15 as being unpatentable over Utsumi and Yamahara and further in view of Wada et al. (Wada).